BIG ROBBERY.

The Pacific Express Company Robbed at Wichita,

MYSTERY SURROUNDS THE CRIME.

The Driver and Messenger Obey a Call to Collect Goods and Are Confronted by Highwaymen - Much

WICHITA, Kan., July St.—A Pacific express wagon was held up on a street here about 9:30 o'clock Saturday night

A short time before the robbery A short time before the robbery a telephone message to the express office called for a wagon to be sent to the Wichita creamery to collect some goods for the Rock Island eastbound train, which leaves here at 10 o'clock.

When the wagon reached the cream-

when the wagon reached the cream-ery two colored men were in waiting and, jumping in, told the driver to go to the rear of the building, where they had some butter and eggs to ship. As soon as the wagon entered the alley a third negro appeared, and the driver and messenger found themselves cov-ered by three vegiters.

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The messenger was ordered to open the safe and could do nothing but com-ply. It took but a moment for the dar-ing roblers to empty the contents of the box into sacks they had with the the box into sacks they had with them and then ordering the expressman to turn and drive off they disappeared with their booty in the darkness.

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A MYSTERT DEVELOPS

WIGHTA, Kan., July 31.—Such developments as there have been in the matter of the robbery of the Pacific Express Co.'s wagon have served only to mystify and aronse suspicions. Inquiry at the telephone exchange half an hour after the robbery developed the fact that no one there had overheard the message calling for the wagon, supposed to have been sent from the Wichitz creamery, and the local agent of the express company says the message was received in the office by D. W. Jones, the driver of the wagon which was held up.

was held up. Neither Jones nor George Henshaw, the messenger who accompanied him and carried the key to the strong box, can say positively whether the high-waymen were negroes or white men with their face blacked. One says they talked like negroes the other that their solve ingenerating the those of whites, both the messenger and the driver are new employees and they pleaded this excuse for breaking the company's rules in answering calls on their own responsibility, instead of depending on the driver's order book, as provided by the regulations.

Another mystifying circumstance is the fact that the money was to have gone out on the Missouri Pacific train which leaves here about half an hour earlier than the Rock Island, but for some reason there was a change in the

The pouch taken from the safe and which contained the money was found by a police officer, looted of its con-tents, within 100 feet of the scene of the robbery soon after the same of the robbery soon after the alarm was given, which, by the way, was not for half an hour after the occurrence, the occupants of the wagen going all the way to the office before mentioning their loss. The authorities are work-ing on two or three alleged clews with little hope of getting anything out of hope of getting anything out of them. The watchman at the stockyards reports seeing three men running north about an hour after the robbery, and the sheriff's officers are out in that di-rection, while the city police are looking for a half-breed Indian named "Smokey Tom." who came up from the Sac and Fox country lately, and who has not been seen since Saturday night the not been seen since Saturday night, the theory being that he may be an asso-ciate of one of the gangs of desperadoes operating in the territory sent on here to get the lay of the land and prepare the way for the real perpetrators of the daring holdup. The full amount stolen was \$7,500, of which \$7,500 was consigned to a Kansan City here. signed to a Kansas City bank.

THE WICHITA KOBBERY

Rob County Treasurer Doran. Wichita, Kan., Aug. 1.—After two full days of bard work a clew has been ay eventually lead to the identity of the men who robbed the Pacific express wagon in the heart of Wichita Saturday night. The clew was furnished by County Treasurer John A. Desay. John A. Doran.

At 3 o'clock every afternoon the treasurer puts the receipts for the day bank. He usually walks the entir distance, which is four blocks. Satur day afternoon, while making up his noticed an union cash, he noticed an unknown man lurking in the corridors of the building and apparantly watching him, but he paid no attention to it at the time. When Mr. Doran left the building the suspicious character appeared on the front steps of the courthouse and nodded to a man of the courthouse and nodded to a maacross the street. The latter unhitched a horse and buggy and drove south a distance of half a block, when he overtook Mr. Doran and, addressing him familiarly as Johnnie, invited him to ride down town with him. Mr. Doran knows nearly everybody

in this county, and the fact that ar solute stranger addressed him so fami-liarly aroused his suspicions. The stranger further pressed him to ride with him, but Doran cut him off with a curt answer and just then stopped a street car and rode down town in it.

It was undoubtedly planned to get Doran into the buggy drive down a side street into the Missouri Pacific yards and rob him. He had in his possession at the time #10,700. Doran gave a good description of the man and the sheriff's end of the official force is look ing him up and are almost sure that the same man robbed the express wagon.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Official Programme of the Coming Meeting in Indianapolis.
INDIANAPOLIS. ind., Aug. 1.—The official programme of the National enofficial programme of the National en-campaient of the G. A. R., to be held in this city in September, has been is-sued. It is as follows: Sept 1-Recoption of the Naval Veteran as-sociation on the Kasraine. Sept 2-Panade of the Naval Veterans.

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Sept. 4-Arrival of the A. R. stall ento its quarters. Naval Veterans a section of the quarters. Naval Veterans a section of the grade and the description of officers, deligates and tinguished guests of the G. A. stall to a condition mall. Earth night of the according to the grade of the grad

seren nours in passing a seren point, and Naval veterans and Sons of Veterans will act as guards of homo: Atomions will be held after the parada. At night the Women's Heise corps will held a reception at Tomilnson hall. Natural gas display and exhibition of fireworks on the grounds south of the Deaf and Dumb institute.

Institute
Sept. 6—National encamprason meeting C.
A. R. at Tumiliason hall. The W. C. T. U.
meets at Roberts Parix church. Ladies of G.
A. R. at Y. M. C. A. Daughters of Veterans at
the Second Presbyterian church. The N. T. C.
C. guard meet, army corns, division and brigade reunions will be held. At night camp fires
and receptions of the encampusent will be held.
Sept. T—Meeting of the encampusent and reunions will be continued. At night the war
pageantry. unious with pageantry. Sept 8—Sessions of the national bodics will continue. The farewell receptions will be held

at night.

SILVER CONVENTION.

Allen W. Thurman, of Ohio, Usanimously Chosen Chairman. Chicaco, Aug. 1.—The chairmanship of the silver convention was settled last night by the selection of a dark horse who have horse, who has not figured to any ex-tent in the preliminary forceast and discussion about the hotel corridors in the person of Allan W. Thurman, of Ohio, son of ex-Senator Allen C. Thur-

Early in the day Gen. Warner sent out a private call to the leaders of the out a private call to the leaders of the various states to meet with him in con-ference at the Palmer house. It was 8 o'clock when the meeting opened in ex-Senator Tom Patterson's room, and Il o'clock before it adjourned. Among those present were: Senator Stewart, Senator Henry M. Teller, ex-Senator N. P. Hall. of Colorado, G. W. Wilder, N. Senator Henry M. Teller, ex-Senator & P. Hall, of Colorado; G. W. Wilder, of Denver; ex-Gov. Routt, of Colorado; A. W. Thurman, Col. Dean, of New York; ex-Senator Regan, of Texas; J. H. Mo-Dowell, of Tennessee; Gov. Walte, Chairman Koib, of the Alabama popu-lists; ex-Congressman Bartine, of Ne-Chairman Koib, of the Alabama populists; ex-Congressman Bartine, of Nevada, and Congressman Swift, of Idaho.

Gen. Warner presided and an informal expression of opinion followed along the line that England, struggling for the monetary supremacy of the

for the monetary supremacy of the world, had, ever since the Napoleonic war, pressed the gold standard upor the nations of the earth until the con fliet had narrowed down to the United States, and now its demands had to be checked or absolute slavery to English influence must prevail.

The conference decided that no inter-

ference must be permitted in the con-vention by men not in harmony with free coinage at the standard of 1 to 16, and that this end might be accomplished it was decided to support a per-manent chairman and the unanimous choice fell upon Mr. Thurman, who was

designated as "sound to the core."

As a further precaution the conference selected a committee on credentials, composed of men from the various states, who are familiar with the one states, who are familiar with the free silver element, and no one will be given a seat as a delegate who is challenged by this committee. The following is the committee as suggested Nevada, Thomas Wrenn, Col. J. Hutchingon, Geoverts. Home, Col. J. Hutchingon, Geoverts. Nevada, Thomas Wrenn, Col. J. Hutch-inson; Georgia, Henry Jones; Ohio, E. D. Stark; Alabama, Senator Kolb; Washington, Patrick Clark; Texas, G. Gassett; Tennessee, J. H. McDowell; Virginia, J. L. Johnson; California, D. M. Burns; Iowa, — Was-son; Kansas, A. C. Shinn; Idaho, G. B. Brian; Utah, C. C. Goodwin; New York, L. P. Deen, Montaya, George Tool; J. P. Deen; Montana, George Tool; Arizona, A. Buck; North Carolina, J. H. Stanton; Illinois, Henry Alton and Hubbard; Massachusetts, George Washburne; Missouri, L. M. Ramsey, and Maryland, H. C. Saffet

A MIDNIGHT CRIME.

A Telegraph Operator Shot Through the Neek by a Prowling Villale. Empolita, Kan. Aug. I.—At the little station of Saffordsville, ten miles west station of Safordsville, ten miles west of here, on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad, at about 12 o'clock Sunday night, the operator, J. M. Fishback, while reading a book, was startled to heav the command in a gruff voice, "Hold up your hands." On turning he saw a man with his face covered with a handkerchief and a leveled revolver.

a leveled revolver, which, with-out further warning, was dis-charged within a few inches of Fishback's face. The ball entered his neck, passing through the minimum. neck, passing through his windpipe. The operator fell forward upon his face and head, and after lying thus for what he thinks was but a few moments what he thinks was but a rew moment-recovered consciousness and succeeded in staggering about a couple of blocks to the home of the day operator, where he fainted on the doorstep. Word was he fainted on the doorstep. Word was sent to Emporia and an engine and car sent for the wounded man.

The supposition is that the villain i a tramp, who was attempting to rob the station, but who became frightened by the result of his shot.

Quiet at Weir City.

Weira City. Aug. 1.—The strike situation is quiet, and all works that have been started are running full time. All the deputies but two have been dismissed. Clemena strip was started up yesterday morning for the first time since the fight there on July 20. No guards are being used. There is a general disposition among the men to await the result of the convention to be held in Kansas City. Quiet at Weir City be held in Kansas City.

COLD STORAGE SENSATION.

A Chicago Paper Finds Incendiarism Cover Up Theft. Chicago, Aug. 1.—In connection with the grand jury investigations into the cold storage fire holocaust, a local cold storage fire holocaust, a local paper prints a sensational story to the effect that the fire which resulted so disastronaly to human life was of incendiary origin, the incentive being a desire to cover up a wholesale theft of goods stored in the warehouses. The story goes that for three weeks previous to the fire the big storehome was looted night after alight by a ring composed of certain crooks on the outside and certain parties on the lasids. On one occasion it ties on the inside. On one occasion it is said a watering cart was loaded with bottles of wine and carted away.

PITTSBURGH. Pa., Aug. 1.—No coal has been shipped by river from Pitts-burgh since May 1s on account of low water, and as a consequence there are 20,000,000 bushels of the black diamonds for shipment. This will break all pre-vious records. Most of the river mines are closed, as all the boats and barges are loaded. A rise is not expected fore September.

Buntineron, Kan., Aug. 1.-While party was loat riding on the Neosho river, at the mouth of Big creek, south of town, Sunday afternoon, the boat tipped and spilled those in the party into the river. All of them escaped except Miss Davis, a young lady about 18 years old, who sank at once. Her 18 years old, who sank at once, He body was not recovered until next

"SURE THING."

The Burning of the Harvey County Records a Mystery No Longer.

ARREST OF SUPPOSED CULPRITS.

Two "Sure Thing" Gamblers Possess the Only Abstract and Burn the Records and Charge Their Own Price for Copies.

Wichita, Kan., Aug. 1.—One of the blackest crimes in Kansas was un-earthed here last night and the arrest of the criminal effected through the in-strumentality of Rufus Cone, chief of police of this city, and Detective Bed-ford Woods, of the Metropolitan police force.

On March 16 last the vaults of the register of deeds of Harvey county were broken into and the entire records of title to property of the county burned. The books were piled on the floor of the The books were piled on the floor of the vault, saturated with five gallons of oil and the next morning the register opened his vault to find that there was not a line of the records recognizable. There was nothing left to show who

There was nothing left to show who owned either property or mortgage. Detectives of the Pinkerton agency were employed and kept in the service of the county commissioners at a cost of nearly \$3,000. Till four weeks ago last Saturday they had accomplished nothing, and the case was given to Chief Cone and Bedford Woods, of this city, with the result that George H. Shirley, of this city, and 3. Wash Rogers, of Newton, were arrested hat night, with evidence sufficient against them to convict them beyond doubt. It is said that they have evidence that these men not only planned the arson, these men not only planned the arson, but that they paid a man \$500 for doing it.

The motive for the crime is this:

Shirley and Rogers had a mortgage on the only set of abstract books in Har-vey county, and they foreclosed it and took the books soon after the burning took the books soon after the burning of the records was effected. The citizens of Harvey county were wild with excitement, and every man or woman who wanted to convey a piece of property was compelled to pay #10 for every transfer to Shirley and Bogers.

It must be remembered that there are comparings, twenty transfers in one

are sometimes twenty transfers in one abstract, in which event the cost was \$200. This extraordinary extortion caused so much excitement that the county commissioners offered fabulous prices for the books of Shirley and Rog-ers, but to no purpose.

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Finally one of the county commissioners told them that their extraordinary doings made the thing suspicious and a feeling of weakness came over the monopolists of the records, and they feared that there was something in the wind. Shirley and Rogers finally offered the books, which they had forcelored on a montance of \$200. had foreclosed on a mortgage of \$700, to the commissioners for \$20,000, which the commissioners were on the eve of accepting, when the disclosures were

Chief Cone told a correspondent that there is no possible escape for Shirley and Rogers from conviction. Shirley was arrested here at 10 o'clock and Rogers was arrested at Newton twenty min-utes afterward on a telegram sent from here by Chief Cone to the marshal of

Owing to the lateness of the hour the Newton people were all in hed, other-wise there would be a probable lynch-ing of Rogers. He will be brought down the morning to avert the vengeance of the outraged people of Harvey ounty.

Previous to taking the abstract books on foreclosure both Shirtey and Rogers were looked upon as gamblers, "sure thing" men and jointists.

SILVER PURCHASES.

The Treasury Furchases About One-Half of the Quota the Past Month. Washington, Aug. 1.—For the first time since the passage of the Sherman sliver law, the treasury this month failed to buy the full quota of 4,500,000 ounces of sliver. The total purchase for the month was 2,384,000 ounces. Mesers. rado, Mesars. Pence and Bell, were at the treasury and had an inter-Bell. view with Secretary Carlisle and Acting Mint Director Preston. They were in Mr. Preston's room at the time he rejected all the offers and made the unter offer of \$0.7000 per ounce. Both of them were much concerned about what they claimed was an effort of the

treasury department to "bear" the price of silver in the markets of the world. The silver men indicate a purpose to precipitate a silver discuss irst working day of the extra session of congress by a resolution of inquiry as to whether or not the secretary of he treasury has not exceeded his thority in refusing to purchase 4,500,000 ounces of silver in July, as provided by the Sherman law.

Farmers Feet Good-Four Scott, Kan., Aug. 1.—Bourbon county is all right. The fine rains of the last two days insure a bountiful corn crop. About Fort Scott there are huncrop. About Fort Scott there are handreds of acres of sugar cane, more, in fact, than was ever planted before, and the crop is in excellent condition. Work will commence at the sugar mill in will commence at the sugar mill will commence as the paper mill will about two weeks. The paper mill will soon after commence operations. The farmers of Bourbon county were never in better spirits over their crop propects.

Rus Over and Killed.
SEDALIA. Mo., Aug. 1.—Charles Miller, 30 years old, a teacher in the Georgetown colored school, was run over and killed by a train on the Lexington teacher. ington branch of the Missouri Pacific at a point a mile northwest of the city, Miller left the city on foot for George town while intoxicated, and it is supposed he went to sleep on the tracic. When found his head was crushed to a

Addressed by Clemens.

PIXTRUTHS, Kan., Aug. I.—Another large miners' meeting was held yesterday afternoon, which was addressed by C. G. Clemens, a Topeka lawyer who is here to defend the attikers' legal interests. He is the same man who gained a wide recognition by his escopeal of wide reputation by his espousal of he cause of the Chicago amarchists.

Wiff Lesume Operations.

Haunisticks, Pa., July 31.—It is learned from a somi-official source that the American tube and Iron works at Middletowr will resume operations

THE SILVER CONVENTION.

Gossip Concerning the Gathering Arrival of Delegates.
Cuicago, July 81.—Delegates to the silver convention arrived in force yesterday and the prospects are that when the convention meets on Tuesday morning it will be one of the largest gatherings of the kind ever assembled. Among those who arrived were ex-Congressman H. F. Bartine and T. K. Wren, of Nevada. "Our delegation will not be man H. F. Bartine and T. K. wren, of Nevada. "Our delegation will not be a very large one," said Mr. Bartine. "Senator Stewart will be here to-night and Senator Jones will be here to-

morrow.

"We shall demand free coinage on a ratio of 1 to 16. It is an absurdity to say that silver can be produced at 50 cents an ounce. There are occasions when a rich find may put the cost of mining down to that figure, but the average cost of mining is about \$1 an ounce. Everything has closed down in Nevada save a few mines where the ounce. Everything has closed down in Nevada save a few mines where the percentage of gold is very large. Only ruin is in store for the west and event-ually for the east in the demonstrizing of allver."

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Congressman Sweet, of Idaho, who is at the Grand Pacific, expects the deleat the Grand Pacific, expects the dele-gation from that state to arrive this morning, headed by Senators George L. Shoup and Fred T. Duboia. Measrs. Peter Gallagher, John D. Pope, T. S. McConkey and Hugh McPherson, of Montans, are at the Leland. The dele-gation from that state will number about 190 and will report at the Mon-tana state building at the world's fair for organization to-day. The delega-tion will be headed by Senators Pow-ers and Mantle, Gov. Tools, ex-Govs. Hauser and Richetts, Congressman Hartwell and ex-Congressman Dickson. "Every ounce of silver mined in Mon-tana this year has cost \$1.09," said Mr. Gallagher, "and we inside

Gallagher, "and we insist upon the 1 to 16 ratio. The east is already feeling the effect of the western depression brought about by the demand for the repeal of the silver purchase act. One firm in Butte has been compelled to cancel \$1,500,000 worth of eastern or-

ers."
Among the 800 strong Colorado delegation, which arrived this morning, was ex-Senator Thomas Patterson, of the Rocky Mountain News, who made the brilliant fight in the last demooratic national convention for a free sliver plank in the party's platform. The headquarters of the delegation will be at the Palmer house. Other

prominent men in the party are Gov Waite, ex-Govs. John L. Routt, John Evans, ex-Senator N. P. Hill, ex-Senator A. W. Tabor, Jacob Cooper, president of the Bank of Commerce; Judge Rising and ex-Chief Justice Jo-seph C. Helm. The Centeunial state delegates will wear a blue and sliver badge, bearing the inscription: "Lib-erty and Union" above a replica of a sliver dollar, and the shield of the state.

Messrs, P. C. Clark, B. C. Kingsbury and C. L. Hathaway, of the Washing-ton delegation, are at the Wellington hotel, and expect a hundred or

The 400 Iowans who will come in on a special train will be quartered at the Great Western hotel. Senator Stewart, of Nevada, is the most mentioned for permanent chairman by the western become but a growing sentiment depeople, but a growing sentiment developed in favor of Gen. Warner a ermanent chairman, fears being enter-sined that if a western man is made chairman an impression will go abroad that the convention is managed wholly in the interest of western mine own-ers, and for this reason many of the delegates favor Gen. Warner or some

other eastern man.

The convention will be of special in-The convention will be of special in-terest in the character of its composi-tion and in the addresses to be deliv-cred. It is not expected, so far as the delegrates here are aware, that any recommendation will be made to congreen for action While some gress for action. While some of the western and easiern men talk freely as to what ought to be done, it is asserted that a number of those expected to be present and complemons in the pro-ceedings are disposed to fight shy of the affair until they ascertain what ele-ments are to easier.

ounces of silver. The total purchase for the month was 2,384,000 ounces. Leaving a shortage of 2,116,000 ounces. The amount purchased yesterday was 216,000 cunces at the counter figure of 80,7000 per ounce. The two populist members of congress from Colorado, Messra, Pence, and Day an intimation the the convention of an intimation that the fact of all industrial organizations being invited to send representatives would require a declaration from the committee on credentials, as to what constitutes a body authorized to send delegates. He gave an intimation that the fact of all industrial organizations being invited to send representatives would require ments are to control an intimation that the "gang" which broke up the allow meeting in New York would put in an appearance here, at least by congenial spir its in sympath; with them are sympathy sere might Its in ht be a repetition of confusion and disthat there rder that marked the eastern gather ing. Some of the Colorado men do not want Gov. Waite to talk in the convenon for fear of his intemperate and in judicious language. Senator Wolcott's departure for Washington caused some surprise, for the reason that the Colorado senator had been announced as one of the prominent speakers in the

nvention More than one of those interested in the preparations for the convention as sorted that the smarter from Colorad and then reach the national capital in time for the opening of congress. They concluded that he did not want to be a figure in the Chicago body.

Big American Mills Closed.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Aug. L.—The MANCHESTER, N. H., Aug. 1.—The big Amoskeng mills were closed yes-terday. This is the first suspension of these factorics for many years. Eight thousand operatives are idle. The Jefferson mills started up again yesterday morning thus giving em-ployment to 1,000 hands, who had been idle for two weeks. All the remaining Amoskeng mills are certain to resume Amoskeag mills are certain to resume August 28, if not before. It will be on the basis, it is said, of a reduction of wages. It is said that there will be a reduction of 10 per cent, and those re-ceiving better wages than the average will be cut down 15 per cent.

Strike Practically Over,
Topeka, Kan., Aug. 1.—Railroad men and others interested in the coal mines of Cherokee and Crawford counties counties laim that the strike is practically over Information from there is that the mines are fast resuming their old ap-pearance of activity and it is claimed that in a week or ten days the output of coal will be as great as it was before

the strike. Washingon's Bank to Resums.
Washingon's, Aug. L.—President A.
J. Lusk and Vice President John Chap-man of the Hutchinson national bank called upon Comptroller Eckels this afternoon and thoroughly satisfied him that the bank was in good shape. He then authorized the reopening of the bank next Monday. hank pant, Monday.

SIAM AND FRANCE

Distanctors in the French Cabinet Over the Matter.

SIAM'S SURRENDER TO FRANCE.

The Limits Virtually Determined by Great Britain comething Probably Behind All That Has Been

Pann, July 31.—Despite official de mals reports of catinet dissension multiply. The last story in confirms then of these reports emecras the cable lien of these reports concerns the cable let conneil held last Wednesday. It is abstantially as follows: M. Deleasse under secretary of state for the colonies reposed a treaty with Siam on the less of France's policy toward Mada iscar. "A protectorate should be es-ablished." he said, "and all of Siam" relations with other states should be arranged through the French govern

Devetle, minister of foreign of fairs, replied that such a proposal coul-not be considered by the present minis-try. He himself had pledged the govtry. He himself had pledged the government publicly to respect Siam's independence, and rather than violate his piedge by accepting M. Delcusse's project he would resign his office. After a long discussion M. Delcusse proposed as an alternative that France occupy Angkor and Isattamisang. M. Develle refused also to agree to this He would consent only to a pacific blockade, he said. On the following day M. Delcase informed Premier DuPny by letter of his intention to resign, because he was convinced that a pacific blockade was an inadequate measure. On the same day M. Develle, after a long interview with the marquis of Dufferin, the English ambassador, declared himself to be more determined than ever to confine the government's action to the blockade. The differences between he more determined than ever to con-fine the government's action to the blockade. The differences between him and M. Deleasse were adjusted at the cabinet council on Thursday after-

Nevertheless, M. Delcasse is known to be dissatisfied and is said to be on the point of resigning. These reports have induced the subvanced radical newspapers to attack M. Develle on the ground that he has knuckled under to ground that he has knuckled under to Great Britain. Whatever effects these attacks may have on domestic politics, it is reasonably certain they will not interfere with the settlement of the Slamese question, virtually within the limits determined by Great Britain.

THE FERLING AT BANGROE.

BANGROE, July 31.—While the government of Slam accepted without reservations France's ultimatum, it received previously the assurance that the kingdom would not be dismembered until after the consideration by all the until after the consideration by all the

the kingdom would not be dismenshered until after the consideration by all the powers concerned of France's demand for the territory between the 18th and 23d parallels. It is somewhat remarka-ble that before Prince Vadhana, Slamess minister in Paris, could have received his instructions recenting the his instructions regarding the ulti-matum, Great Britain's refusal to re-cognize the blockade had begome known in this city. The British residents here, while rejoicing over the action of the home government, do not forget to give credit to Capt. Jones. British min-ister at Rangkolt, for his careful and judicious conduct throughout the critical period. Whenever his ad-vice was sought by eritical period. Whenever his advice was sought by the court, Capt. Jones pronounced in favor of moderation and concession. The blockade is still maintained by the Forfait, Lutin. Inconstante, Comete and Lion. The British war ships Pallas and Swift remain at the Me-Nam bar, inside the blockade limits. The British war ship Linnet and the German war ship Wolf are at anthe German war ship Wolf are at anthe Cerman war ship Wolf are at anthe the German war ship Wolf are at an-chor in the river off Bangkok. The enor in the river of Bangaok. The British government mail has been al-lowed to pass, but the mercantile cor-respondence with Slamese firms has been ent off. An effort is being made, therefore, to render efficient an land postal service via Tavoy and Ran-

Rear-Adm. Humann has arrived at Koh Si Chang. M. Pavic is at the same port, as all negotiations since the rupture have been carried on directly

with Paris.
The French have seized the Slamese Hong Kong steamer Pra Chula with Hong Kong steamer Pra Chula with 400 Chinese aboard her. The Pra Chula eventually was allowed to land her passengers and cargo at Bangkok. She will sail for Hong Kong to-morrow. Of the British steamers rendered idle by the blockade, twelve are trade with Hong Kong, eight with Singapore and one in the trade with

Question of a Dans.
Orrawa, Ont., July 31.—The attention of the authorities at Washington awing been drawn to the construction d a dam over a section of the St. Lay nd the mainland by the government f Canada, the United States government has engineers now looking over the ground to see how far United State territory would be flooded by said work. In the meantime the dominion authorities have echaed operations un til it is definitely settled whether they have a right to construct, public work at this point that will deflect the water over on the American side

West Plaiss, Mo., July 31.—About the first of the month Hunter Single ton, of Shanton county, left the house there she was staying with the intion of gathering huoideberries. Shalled to return, and search was mador her but with no success untithis week, when her body was found in woods, terribly mutilated. It had ap-parently been there for some time, and od been part ally eaten by hogs a birds. Some of her bones could not be found. She was partially deranged and it is supposed she died in a spasm.

NEWS NOTES.

The Rock Island ran its first trake out of Fort Worth, Tex., on the 20th. The Union indurated filter works Buffalo, N. Y., have been destroyed by

The third trial of M. B. Curtis, the tor, for marder, has cor san Francisco. The eighth annual convention of the

Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be hel-Judge H. F. Thomason, of Van Burer

Senator Vance, of North Carolina, says the democratic party is pledged to the coingge of both gold and silver.

BEAUTY AND BRAVERY

tooident That Scome to toolfate a What sort of men are likely to be ound the bravest? A writer rules this puestion, and seems to come mite unexpected conclusion this cal beauty is perhaps the surof physical courage. He quates a Freuch philosopher as saying that "where bravery amounts to usalises there is always something womanish about the face and bearing," and relates an incident of the civi

lates an incident of the civil war which seems to point to a similar concine on.
"I attended a functal at Harner's Ferry near the close of the war. Gen. Sheridan had ordered that all who had captured battle flags or performed any remarkable feat of daring should repair. remarkable feat of daring should repair to the parade ground to receive such decoration as they deserved, which was done to the accompaniment of martial musls and many cheers.

"I looked with great pride upon the motley collection of the bravest of braves, and with no little interest; for the paradical discount of the last support the class support the

braves, and with no little interest; for I hoped to discern among the elect some sign which would segregate these companious-in-arms from their engeners of lesser renown. Alast they were of every hue and shape, and almost of every nationality, the American types predominating—for we were four to one against all other nationalities.

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hour of triumph as had been shown on
the occasions which had led to it.

"One type of the solidier was consplenous by its absence—I mean the
stalking, self-conscious, more-thanerect sort of person, having the praetieed frown and quick flash of the dark
eye, the ideal solidier in time of peace;
but there were present some picturecapac-looking fellows of the Barfalo
lilli kind, presumably from the plains.

"All were clad in Uncle Sam's uniform of blue and Virginia's uniform of
swarthy tan. All looked bardy and
weather-worn, and as they passed in
review before (ien, Max Weber's headquarters, the one distinguishing charnotoristic of these youths was expressed
by a Virginia lady who stood near me,
and who, as the reigning belle of Harper's Ferry, doubtless considered that
she spoke with autherity;

"What a handsome group of boxa." she spoke with authority:
"What a handsome group of boys,
Yanks though they be!"—Atlantic.

HILARY HERBERT'S WAR STORY One Young Bern Who Wore the Blue and

Another Who Wore the Gray Another Who Wore the Gray.

I never saw more glorious conduct than that displayed in these two instances by two youths in their teens, one wearing the blue and the other the gray. The first was in the second day's gray. The first was in the second only a light. My regiment had charged right op among the guns of a union battery, whose men and horses had nearly all been killed. There was one gun to which four horses had been attached. which four horses had been attached. The two rear borses had been shot down in harness. The two leaders were apparently unhart and on one of them sat a lad, head creet, vigorously plying his whip on the other horse and striving to save his gun. He was devoting his whole soul to that purpose, utterly unmindful of our men, who were surging about him. He was literally like the Casabianca of the flaming deel. I ing about him. He was literally like the Casabianca of the flaming deek. I could have touched him with my sword, and was just about to beg him to surrender when shots rang out from behind me and he dropped from his horse, dead as be fell. He might have saved himself, but he seemed determined to save that gun or die. It was sublime, but I can never think of it without a shudder at the horrors of the sacrifices of that war.

of that war. The other instance was on the third day, in the height of a terrific artillery duel that was preliminary to the great charge. Our men were in line awaiting the word to advance. In front of us, riding deliberately up and down the line, was a handsore year. line, was a handsome youth in gray, mounted on a fleet-looking iron-gray horse and bearing a bright, new battle flag, whose stars and bars shimmered in the sanlight. The boy sat erect, looking as proud as any Rupert and his horse as spirited as an Arabian.



BIDING ALONG THE LINE.

The flying bullets and shricking shells never fazed his superb bearing as he rode to and fro up and down the long line. Now and then he would dis appear in thick clouds of powder smole. at he would be seen again riding back his face actually beaming with w)
O'Hare calls "the arder of the fight."
Before the word came to move had gone down the line and had not re had gone down the line and had not re-turned. I never knew whether he was killed or not, but I thought involuntarily of how that Yankee boy had died the day before. These were indelible ple-tures caught in the gloam of light in shifting battle smoke, and have always been to me anything but counterfelt pre-sentments of northern and southern courage.—Washington Post.

Buabley T. Jourson, of Maryland, was a general in the confederate army, but says he lent quite aire of his rank since the war. Men whom he knew during the late unpleasantness as cap-tains. tains, lieutonants, or even privates, have blossomed out as generals or colonels until the Maryland woods are full of them He says the United States confederate veteran society is a olonel factory

Boys Browned in the Missourt. LEXVENWORTH, Kan., July 21.—Roy and Jake Barnett, two brothers, were frowned in the Missouri river while in bathing near the Riverside conl min. They were uged respectively 13 and 15 years. Jake, the elder, seeing his brother, who could not swim, get be-yond his depth, went to his reacue and both were carried to the bottom of the

Dr. Lee Ding, a Chinese physician, of Chicago, and Miss Lizzle Fairman, an American girl, of the same city, were recently married at Peoria, Ill. THE TREMOR OF CATTLE.

Suspense Street Makes a Sirat Man and Lithe Cowers.

Its the last year of the Way, when immense besuttles were effected and the graft treatment into the ward, the coward was caught in the head of the brave man, but for the first to plans cowardies in the fare of the energy was a thing unknown. The owned knew himself and refused to griffet He did not appear until forced to by swarios or the provoct marshal. Then he was an object of pity as well as of contempt. The tremor of battle is a queer, strange thing. Had it not been so general it would have been mistaken for cowardies. It came not only with the first bettle but the the street of the tremor of the provoce was the street of the provoce when the street is the street of the

eral it would have been mistaken for oowardice. It came not only with the first battle, but with the second, third, fourth—with each and every one down to the last. The versan was sufficient as strongly as the raw recruit—the offi-

as strongly as the raw recruit—this officer as well as the private. And yet
men knew not of themselves that they
were afflicted. They saw it in othersothers saw it in them.
Here is a regiment of cavalry on the
left. On the right is a battery, with infantry supports lying down. Beyond
the battery infantry are lying behind
a breastwork. Beyond them there is
heavy fighting. We have been sitting
on our horses for an hour or more. We
have lost five or six men and as many
horses by stray bullets and fragments
of shell. When we were wheeled into
position here men were yolding and position here men were joking and faughing. We have not been under fire, but the suspense has been eating away at the nerves. We know why we are here. The enemy's right flank is



THE CAVALRY CHARGE.

osite us, sheltered by the woods. It opposite us, sheltered by the woods. It is flank against flank. We are watching each other. The horses catch the tremor first. They champ their bits and foam at the mouth. They toes their heads and paw the earth. The sweat starts out on the neck, the eye of every animal has a sullen, baleful look, and here and there a horse either tries to lie down or rears up and paws. tries to lie down or rears up and paws the air. We speak to them soothingly and kindly and stroke their necks. A dig of the spurs would render them un-controllable. A barsh word might ex-

dig of the spurs would render them uncontrollable. A harsh word might excite them to fury.

I am not afraid. This is my ninth battle. I have been twice wounded. I have been promoted for bravery in the face of the enemy. If the colonel should ask me to ride to the rear with an order I would beg that some one else be selected. And yet I am apparently suffering that mental and physical agony endured by a constitutional coward. My teeth chatter. My chin quivers. I feel so weak in the knees that I know I should fall down if out of the saddle. I am trembling from head to heel and my breathing is hourse and labored. Is it fear? No! It does not occur to me that I am in the slightest danger. The suspense has simply relaxed my nerves and my mind cannot control them. The trooper on my right is is pale-faced as a dead man—the one on my left shakes like a man with the ague. It is so with all the others. We are waiting.

others. We are waiting. "Ah! that's a relief to both men and horses! A body of the enemy's cavalry appears on the edge of the forest. Each man draws a long breath. The sus-

pense is broken! 'Draw saber?'

lietter and better! My teeth no longer chatter, but I find my jawa hard ahut. The fingers gripping the hilt of my saber have found their strength. I can feel my horse pulling himself together under me.

At last we have something to do! The enemy is forming to charge the battery. We are moving out to fall upon him. The terror has vanished. I battery. We are moving out to fall upon him. The terror has vanished. I feel the strength of a giant in my sword arm, and my horse on springs.

Gallop-charge-hurrah-'rah!" Five minutes ago one might have looked us over and decided that we were a regiment of poltroons waiting for a chance to bolt to the rear. There are no laggards as we charge. Every for a chance to bolt to the rear. There are no laggards as we charge. Every man is using the spur-every voice is cheering. We are thundering on to certain death for some, but there is no fear —no care. With naked sabers flashing in the cloud of dust—with every horse at full callon—with every trooper head. at full gallop—with every trooper bead-ing forward in his saddle, we strike the energy as a wave rushes against a shore, and only brave men will be lying dead when the melce is ended. Afraid? Why, man, those of us who return to the flank curse the enemy that he did not give us a longer fight-curse our own officers for checking the pursuit before it led us into ambush and anni-hilation! That was to be expected. Tremor comes before the charge—exultation after it. The soldier has no control over either. - Detroit Free Press.

Tim "oldest son of a veteran" in the United States is said to be John E. Mills, of Bradford, Mass., who is seventy-nine years old. His father, who was principal musician in the First United States infantry, though nearly eighty years old when the war broke out, was assigned to active duty, and was commissioned second lieutenant by President Lincoln. John E. Milla, his President Lincoln. John E. Milla, his son, enlisted at the outbreak of the war, and had three sons who enlisted with him, so that three generations of the family saw service at the same time in the rebellion.

Wilkesmanne, Pa., July 31.—An engine on the Delano division of the Lehigh Valley railroad ran into passenger train No. 14, near Mahenny City. The engineer thought the passenger train was not due until ten information later and was on the passenger train. utes later, and was on the main track when the collision occurred. Neff Uni-lagher, bag gagemater, and W. J. Hattrick, conductor of the passenger, both of Mauch Chunk, were guite badly injured about the budy. The presentation of whom there were many, were shaken up, but none were harvis for a could be isomed.